Gamma Spectroscopy of Neutron-Rich Nuclei with the CLARA/PRISMA Setup

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1) Gamma Spectroscopy with Multinucleon Transfer and Deep-Inelastic Reactions

2) PRISMA and CLARA

3) Results from the experimental campaign

Grazing reactions as a tool to study n-rich nuclei

Multi-nucleon transfer



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PRISMA Exp. Data Inelastic channels only (ys detected with CLARA)

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In many cases, the production cross sections are not negligible.



Neutron rich RIBs: a tool for very neutron rich nuclei



Coupled channel calculations (Grazing) by G. Pollarolo

We expect that multinucleon transfer and deep inelastic reaction will be an essential tool also when radioactive beams are available, due to the enhancement of the cross sections and to the shift in the population distribution.

Transfer with RIBs at Coulomb barrier Energies

Calculations by G.Pollarolo



$\gamma\text{-}Ray$ Spectroscopy with Grazing reactions

Possible approaches:

Thick target experiment

- Channel selection is an issue (cross-coincidences with the reaction partner)
- Doppler correction is not an issue (but cannot resolve short-lived states)

See e.g. Broda et al, PRL **74** (1995) 865

Thin target experiment

- \longrightarrow Channel selection is an issue
- \rightarrow Doppler correction is an issue



CLARA/PRISMA approach

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The PRISMA Magnetic Spectrometer





CLARA: Clover Detector array





Up to 25 Euroball Clover detectors (from the EU GammaPool) For Eγ= 1.3MeV: Efficiency ~ 3 % Peak/Total ~ 45 % FWHM < 10 keV (at v/c = 10 %)

Experimental campaign Spring 2004 - Summer 2006

•Search for excited states in neutron rich Mg, Si and S	(³⁶ S + ²⁰⁸ Pb)
• Nuclear spectroscopy of neutron rich nuclei in the N=50 region G Duchêne Strasboura: G de Angelis Legnaro (poster by G Duchêne)	(⁸² Se + ²³⁸ U)
•Pair transfer effects in ⁹⁰ Zr+ ²⁰⁸ Pb L.Corradi, Leanaro	(⁹⁰ Zr + ²⁰⁸ Pb)
•Identification of the 6 ⁺ state in 54 Co	(⁵⁴ Fe + ⁵⁴ Fe)
A.Gadea, Legnaro	$(24Ma \pm 24Ma)$
•Resonances in ²⁴ Mg+ ²⁴ Mg and molecular states in ⁴⁰ Cr	(- Wg + - Wg)
F.Haas, Strasbourg	
• Exciled States III * -3 D. P. Napoli, M. Mănainean, Leonano	(³² S + ⁵⁸ Ni)
·Decay properties of pairing vibration states populated in transfer	(⁴⁰ Ca + ⁹⁶ Zr)
reactions	,
S.Szilner, Zagreb	
·Large angle scattering of ⁴⁰ Ca + ^X Zr.	(⁴⁰ Ca + ^{xx} Zr)
G.Montagnoli, Padova	
•Shell-model states around doubly-magic ⁴⁸ Ca	(⁴⁸ Ca + ²³⁸ U)
R.Broda, Krakow	. ,
•Test of the Differential Plunger Technique	(⁶⁴ Ni + ²⁰⁸ Pb)
N.Mărginean, Legnaro; A.Dewald, Köln	
• Spectroscopy of deformed neutron rich A ~ 60 nuclei	(⁶⁴ Ni + ²³⁸ U)
S.M.Lenzi, Padova; S.J.Freeman, Manchester (this talk)	

Shell closures and collectivity in n-Rich A≈50-60 Nuclei

Systematics of the 2⁺ energy in the Ca and Ti even-even isotopes suggests that *N=32* might be a good (sub)shell closure. The same systematics for the Cr isotopes points to quite a collective behaviour for the heavier isotopes.



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Recent transition probability data from RISING and MSU are consistent with a sub-shell closure at N=32. The spectroscopic information for the heavy Cr isotopes, prior to this measurement, was mostly limited to the energy of the first 2⁺ state, identified from β-decay experiments.



Spectroscopy of heavy Cr isotopes

⁶⁴Ni(404 MeV) + ²³⁸U



 γ rays from the yrast levels of 58Cr observed for the first time

$\gamma\text{-softness}$ in heavy Cr and Fe isotopes



•The R(4/2) ratio for the heavy Fe isotopes is very close to the 2.50 value characteristic of γ -soft rotors

•The value for the heavier Cr isotopes is also close to the same limit

•⁵⁸Cr lies exactly at the 2.20 value predicted for the E(5) dynamical symmetry

A candidate for a critical point



•The predictions of the E(5) symmetry are in good agreement with the experimental values for the yrast band, as well as with the results of several Large-Scale Shell-Model calculations

•Transition probabilities are needed to decide whether ${}^{58}Cr$ lies at the E(5) critical point

N. Mărginean et al., PLB 633 (2006) 696

Differential plunger with CLARA/PRISMA

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Degrader

Target

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Other developments: the DANTE MCP Array

DANTE is a highly efficient array of position-sensitive MCP detectors, developed in collaboration with FLNR Dubna and recently commissioned and used in two in-beam experiments.

Using $\gamma\gamma$ -DANTE coincidences it will be possible to build level schemes for nuclei identified for the first time with PRISMA (two experiments at the price of one!)



The PIAVE/ALPI accelerator

The PIAVE/ALPI accelerator is currently entering routine operation at LNL, providing higher beam intensities, heavier beams and beams otherwise not available with the TANDEM/ALPI accelerator, which will be very useful for the current and future experimental program. ²²Ne and ⁴⁰Ar test beams were already successfully delivered to the PRISMA/CLARA facility.







The near future: AGATA at PRISMA

According to the present plans, CLARA will be dismounted in the second half of 2007 and it will be replaced by the AGATA Demonstrator Array of 15 highly segmented germanium detectors (36-fold segmentation), providing higher efficiency and better energy resolution





Exciting perspectives for the campaign of measurements foreseen in 2008!

See talk by J.Gerl



- Valuable information on moderately n-rich nuclei has been collected using multinucleon transfer and deep inelastic collisions with stable beams at the CLARA/PRISMA setup
- It will be possible to use the same techniques developed for stable beams with the future RIB facilities
- In the near future, we expect interesting results from the AGATA demonstrator coupled to PRISMA, thanks also to the heavier beams provided by PIAVE.

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